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**CONTINUING
 (1.53(b)) UTILITY
 PATENT APPLICATION
 TRANSMITTAL**

Attorney Docket No.
 21.1978c

First Named Inventor:
 Hideo Akiyoshi

Title: LATCH CIRCUIT HAVING REDUCED INPUT/OUTPUT
 LOAD, MEMORY AND SEMICONDUCTOR CHIP

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(Only for continuing applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

**APPLICATION
 ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600
 concerning utility
 patent application contents.

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form
2. ☒ Specification, Claims & Abstract [Total Pages: 16]
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets: 8] [FIGS. 1-9]
4. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages: 4]
 - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
 - b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
5. ☐ This application is filed by fewer than all the inventors named in the prior nonprovisional application.
 - a. ☐ DELETE the following inventor(s) named in the prior nonprovisional application:
 - b. ☐ The inventor(s) to be deleted are set forth on a separate sheet attached hereto.
6. ☐ Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status
7. ☒ Incorporation by Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)
 The entire disclosure of the prior application (identified in Item 20), from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
8. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 C.F.R. 1.76
9. ☐ CD-Rom or CD-R in duplicate, large table or Computer Program (Appendix)
10. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission (if applicable, all necessary)
 - a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
 - b. ☐ Specification Sequence Listing on:
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ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

12. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
13. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
14. ☒ Foreign priority benefit under 35 U.S.C. §119 is claimed.
 - a. ☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) filed in prior application No. 09/610,982.
 - b. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) enclosed.
 - c. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) to follow.
15. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
16. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
 - a. ☐ enclosed herewith.
 - b. ☐ incorporated herein (see Box 20).
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18. ☐ Request and Certification for Nonpublication under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35 or its equivalent
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☒ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 09/610,982.

Notes:

Prior application information: Examiner: T. Pham
Group/Art Unit: 2818

The format of the application has been amended to incorporate the new U.S.P.T.O. preferred paragraph numbering and other formal application requirements.

Claims 1-4 and 9-19 in the original application have been eliminated, and previously allowed claims 5-8 and 20-25 have been renumbered as present application claims 1-10, with accompanying amendments to the claims to maintain dependency, and to incorporate all amendments to the claims as of October 26, 2001.

Claims 1-7 and 9-10 are unamended, except for renumbering, from the previous claims as allowed in the parent application on October 26, 2001. The present claim 8 has been slightly amended from the corresponding previous allowed claim 23 of the parent application on October 26, 2001.

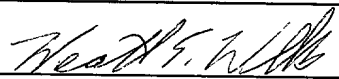
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